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Section 8: Moderate Rehab Single Room Occupancy *Fact Sheet*

The Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation Single Room Occupancy (SRO) program provides project-based rental assistance for homeless individuals.

DHCD's Division of Public Housing and Rental Assistance, which administers this program, has the responsibility for regulatory and administrative oversight of all state- and federally-aided rental assistance programs which address the needs of low-income families, the elderly and persons with disabilities.

How it works

Tenants pay no more than 30% of their adjusted income for rent and utilities. Supportive services are generally required to be made available to the tenants; and a project sponsor arranges for the provision of these services. Acceptance of these services, however, is not a tenant eligibility requirement.

DHCD administers five Section 8 Moderate Rehabilitation SRO developments, as follows: In Lowell, 8 units targeted to persons living with AIDS/HIV; in Worcester, 38 units for homeless individuals; in Gardner, 15 units targeted to homeless veterans; in Haverhill, 19 units targeted to homeless veterans; and in Springfield 44 units targeted to homeless individuals.

The monthly rental assistance housing subsidy is administered by DHCD's regional Section 8 contractors.

Who is eligible

Very low-income homeless individuals who may or may not have supportive service needs.

For further information

For more information about any of these SRO developments, please contact the Bureau of Federal Rental Assistance at DHCD at (617) 573-1207.